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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Spindler, et al.

Serial No. : 10/536,596

Filed : May 26, 2005

For : POLYAMIDE-BASED WATER-SOLUBLE  
BIODEGRADABLE COPOLYMERS AND THE USE  
THEREOF

Art Unit : To be assigned

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MS: Petition

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR PETITION UNDER RULE 1.181

Sir:

Applicants request reconsideration of the negative Decision on Applicant's Petition filed May 21, 2008, requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

As set forth in the petition of May 21, 2008, on October 16, 2008 Applicants filed a complete response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 28, 2007. On January 2, 2008, the Examiner issued a Notice of incomplete response, but the undersigned called the

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Examiner to let her know he believed it issued in error since the response was in fact complete. On January 24, 2008, the Examiner left the undersigned a voice message indicating that the response was indeed complete and that no further action needed to be taken. In view of the Examiner's assurance that no further action needed to be taken, no response was filed.

Nonetheless, assuming for arguments' sake that Applicants response was insufficient, Applicants submit herewith a Response to the Notice with a complete response to the restriction requirement, along with a petition for a five month extension of time. Since a response to the Notice of Incomplete response has now been timely filed, it is respectfully requested that the abandonment be withdrawn, that the response to the restriction requirement be entered, and that the application be examined.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. NY-HUBR-1282-US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted

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